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Las Vegas, Nevada ranks as one of the top tourist attractions in the United States each year with over 35 million visitors coming every state and numerous countries from around the globe. This once little railroad stop in the Mojave Desert has today become a world class resort containing some of the world's largest hotels, the largest concentration of gaming in North America and a vibrant entertainment and restaurant scene. The population of the Las Vegas Valley between 1980 and 2015 has swelled by nearly four times. As a result, local forecasters continually field inquiries regarding the area's climate from a broad base of interests. The Climate of Las Vegas was initially compiled by Paul Skrbac in 1995 and published in paper form by the National Weather Service's Western Region Headquarters in 1999. A published update was done by Andy Gorelow in 2005. Over the years this publication has become one of the most popular products produced by the National Weather Service Office in Las Vegas. This latest edition revised by Chris Stachelski continues to provide a source for those seeking information on the climate of Las Vegas in a newly revised format.